

Transmission Business Line (TBL)

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Available Transmission Capacity For Short-Term Firm Requests On The Network

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The Bonneville Power Administration's Transmission Business Line (TBL) posted a methodology for calculating Available Transmission Capacity (ATC) for Long-Term Firm requests over Network Flowgates on November 12, 2003. On February 26, 2004 TBL posted notice that ATC for Short-Term Firm requests on the Network after April 30, 2004 is zero due to inconsistencies with the methodology for determining ATC for Long-Term Firm service on the Network.

After examination of seasonal historical and anticipated uses of the Network, transmission capacity on the Network is now available for Short Term Firm requests for a limited time. Effective as of the date of this posting, ATC for Short Term Firm requests using the Network after June 30, 2004 is zero. TBL is accepting requests for Short-Term Firm service using the Network through June 30, 2004. The limits on ATC in this notice for which Short-Term Firm service on the Network can requested supersede the limits on ATC stated in the notice of February 26, 2004.

TBL will take the actions below to avoid degrading or impairing the reliability of the Network system, to preserve existing commitments for firm transmission service and to preserve ATC needed to process higher priority Long-Term Firm requests currently pending. Effective on the date of this posting:

- (1) Immediately, and until further notice, ATC for all Short-Term Firm requests on the Network after June 30, 2004 is zero.
- (2) Refused Short-Term Firm requests will not be reevaluated.
- (3) If a Short-Term Firm request requires Network capacity July 1, 2004 and beyond that portion of the request will be refused.
- (4) This decision will affect all Short-Term Firm requests, including redirect requests.

TBL continues to work at utmost speed to resolve the problem with Network ATC determination for Short-Term Firm requests and hopes to resume offering Short-Term Firm service on the Network for the period July 1, 2004 and beyond as soon as possible.

If you have questions or comments regarding this notice, please contact your transmission account executive or Don Watkins at (360) 418-2344 or dswatkins@bpa.gov.